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  earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

1)☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on <u>07 January 2008</u>.

2a)☒ This action is **FINAL**.   2b)☐ This action is non-final.

3)☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is
closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

4)☒ Claim(s) <u>51-95</u> is/are pending in the application.

   4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

5)☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

6)☒ Claim(s) <u>51-95</u> is/are rejected.

7)☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

8)☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

10)☒ The drawing(s) filed on <u>08 September 2003</u> is/are: a)☒ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.

   Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).

   Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

11)☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

12)☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

   a)☐ All b)☐ Some * c)☐ None of:

   1.☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

   2.☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.

   3.☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage
      application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

   * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

1)☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2)☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3)☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
   Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.

4)☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1.   In response to applicant's arguments against the references individually, one cannot

show nonobviousness by attacking references individually where the rejections are based on

combinations of references. See *In re Keller*, 642 F.2d 413, 208 USPQ 871 (CCPA 1981); *In re*

Merck & Co., 800 F.2d 1091, 231 USPQ 375 (Fed. Cir. 1986).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

2.   The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all

obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

> (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set
> forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and
> the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the
> invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains.
> Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

3.   Claims 51-55, 58-62, 65-68, 75-79, 82-84, 87-90 and 93-95 are rejected under 35 U.S.C.

103(a) as being unpatentable over Kawamura et al. (EP 0903679 A2) in view of IDC Execute

Brief ('Speech Interfaces Drive Mobile Responsiveness') and Vitikainen et al. (US 7203297 B2).

      Kawamura does not teach a Web page for displaying the graphical information of Figure

10. However, the graphical information is displayed on portable personal computers connected

to a LAN wherein information communication can be carried out everywhere (paragraph 0002).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention

was made to provide the graphical information as a Web page since the Web page format is

universally available everywhere and used with the Web browsers such as Internet Explorer that

are installed in the personal computers.

      Kawamura does not teach authentication of the second user (i.e. requesting user) for

receiving presence and availability information. However, providing authentication for a

requesting user of presence and availability information of another user would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made for the reason that users have an expectation of privacy for keeping personal info private from others that are not entitled to the personal information. For example, an employee would have an expectation of privacy of keeping their presence and availability information private from strangers, while not having an expectation of privacy for their presence and availability with respect to their supervisors or their customers.

Kawamura provides a plurality of options for contacting the user in Figure 10 such as the extension telephone, destination telephone and message mail. Kawamura does not teach a plurality of options for transmitting the inputted text message. However, the IDC Executive Brief clearly teaches a text/speech interface for providing options for the transmission of text messages (see 'Messaging Applications' on page 2, wherein email can be forwarded to a voice device such as a cell phone). Therefore, it would have been obvious to provide a plurality of options for transmitting the inputted text message in the graphical information of Figure 10 in Kawamura since the IDC Executive Brief clearly teaches a plurality of options for transmitting text messages with the use of a speech interface.

Kawamura does not teach a personal message from the first user to the second user. However, Vitikainen explicitly teaches providing personal messages from the first user to designated second users over multimedia such as text, sound, images or video (column 6, lines 29-41; column 6, line 57 to column 7, line 10; and column 7, lines 29-36). Therefore, it would have been obvious to provide personal messages in the graphical information of Kawamura since Vitikainen explicitly teaches providing personal messages in a multimedia system such as text and image messaging systems.

With respect to the claims below, references to the prior art appear in parenthesis.

<u>Claims</u>

51. (New) A method for contacting a first user using a packet-switched

communication **(LAN in Kawamura (paragraph 0002) is a packet-switched communication**

system)*, comprising:*

(a) receiving, by a packet switched network, a request from a second user for web

page associated with the first user **(Third person request for information for an employee**

(paragraph 0102-0103) results in the graphical information of Figure 10 on the requesting

user's computer display, wherein it would have been obvious to format the graphical info

as a Web page since this format is universally available and used with respect to Web

browsers such as Internet Explorer that are installed on personal computers)*; and*

(b) providing, by the packet switched network, the second user with the web page,

wherein at least one of the following is true:

(B1) the provided web page comprises at least one of a current physical

location of the first user, current contact options for the first user, and a current activity of

the first user, wherein the at least one of a current physical location of the first user,

current contact options for the first user, and a current activity of the first user is varied

depending on the identity of the requestor **(Kawamura's Figure 10 shows the current**

physical location and current activity of the first user (Software Development

Presence/Absence) and current contact options (Telephone numbers, Voice message

and Message mail))*;*

(B2) the provided web page comprises a plurality of contact options to

contact the first user and an activatable icon **(Activatable icons are a common feature of**

Web pages) *to initiate a contact to the first user by an option selected by the second user, the*

contact options being a plurality of an email, a facsimile, a voice mail, an instant message, a

pager, and a telephone call **(Kawamura's Figure 10 shows the plurality of contact options as telephone call, voice message and message mail (i.e. email))***;*

     (B3) the provided web page comprises a personalized message for the second user, the personalized message being provided only to selected requestors but not to all requestors **(Personal messages to designated second users are explicitly taught by Vitikainen)***; and*

     (B4) the provided web page comprises one or more fields for receiving a text message from the second user for the first user **(Graphical information shown in Kawamura's Figure 10 includes a field for receiving inputted text message for the first user with respect to the "Message Mail-Contents" field, wherein the text message is transmitted by electronic mail (paragraph 0103))**, *wherein the inputted text message is converted into a voice message for the first user at the request of the second user* **(IDC Executive Brief teaches providing a plurality of options for transmitting text messages by using a speech interface for converting text to voice)***.*

     52. (New) The method of Claim 51, wherein (B1) is true.

     53. (New) The method of Claim 51, wherein (B2) is true.

     54. (New) The method of Claim 51, wherein (B3) is true.

     55. (New) The method of Claim 51, wherein (B4) is true.

     58. (New) The method of Claim 51, wherein the provided web page comprises a listing of individuals, a corresponding skill of each listed individual, and contact information associated with each of the listed individuals **(Graphical information in Kawamura**

includes the listing in Figure 12, wherein managers are specified and wherein the corresponding skill includes the "Fourth Development" or "Third Development").

59. (New) The method of Claim 55, wherein the web page comprises a plurality of communication options for selection by the second user, wherein the communication options comprise at least one of a voice mail and telephone call **(Kawamura's Figure 10 shows the plurality of contact options as telephone call, voice message and message mail (i.e. email))**, wherein, when at least one of voice mail and a telephone call is selected by the second user, the method further comprises:

converting the text message inputted by the second user into a corresponding audio message; and

forwarding the corresponding audio message to the first user by the selected at least one of voice mail and a telephone call **(IDC Executive Brief teaches voicemail and telephone call with regards to the use of the text to voice speech conversion interface ('Messaging Applications' on page 2)).**

60. (New) The method of Claim 51, wherein the providing step comprises:

authenticating the identification of the second user; and

applying one or more rules to select a web page configuration to be provided to the second user, the rules requiring differing web page configurations to be provided to differing requestors **(Obvious to provide authentication in Kawamura since the user whose presence and availability are provided in the graphical form in Figure 10 would have had an expectation of privacy with regards to the people such as supervisors or clients receiving their personal information).**

61. *(New) The method of Claim 51, wherein the provided web page is a personal homepage of the first user* **(It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made run a business from the home such that the provided business information in Kawamura corresponds to a personal homepage of the business owner)**.

62. *(New) A computer readable medium comprising processor executable instructions operable to perform the steps of claim 51* **(Kawamura uses computers (paragraph 0002))**.

65. *(New) The method of Claim 64, wherein at least one of the following is true:*

(1) the provided web page comprises at least one of a current physical location of the first user, current contact options for the first user, and a current activity of the first user, wherein the at least one of a current physical location of the first user, current contact options for the first user, and a current activity of the first user is varied depending on the identity of the requestor **(Kawamura's Figure 10 shows the current physical location and current activity of the first user (Software Development Presence/Absence) and current contact options (Telephone numbers, Voice message and Message mail))***;*

(2) the provided web page comprises a plurality of contact options to contact the first user and an activatable icon **(Activatable icons are a common feature of Web pages)** *to initiate a contact to the first user by an option selected by the second user, the contact options being a plurality of an email, a facsimile, a voice mail, an instant message, a*

pager, and a telephone call **(Kawamura's Figure 10 shows the plurality of contact options as telephone call, voice message and message mail (i.e. email))**; and

　　　(3) the provided web page comprises a personalized message for the second user, the personalized message being provided only to selected requestors but not to all requestors **(Personal messages to designated second users are explicitly taught by Vitikainen)**.

　　　66. (New) The method of Claim 65, wherein (1) is true.

　　　67. (New) The method of Claim 65, wherein (2) is true.

　　　68. (New) The method of Claim 65, wherein (3) is true.

　　　75. (New) A system for contacting a first user using a packet-switched communication **(LAN in Kawamura (paragraph 0002) is a packet-switched communication system)**, *comprising:*

　　　(a) a network server operable to receive, by a packet switched network, a request from a second user for a web page of the first user **(Third person request for information for an employee (paragraph 0102-0103) results in the graphical information of Figure 10 on the requesting user's computer display, wherein it would have been obvious to format the graphical info as a Web page since this format is universally available and used with respect to Web browsers such as Internet Explorer that are installed on personal computers)**; and

　　　(b) a resource manager operable to provide, by the packet switched network, the second user with the web page of the first user, wherein at least one of the following is true:

(B 1) the provided web page comprises at least one of a current physical location of the first user, current contact options for the first user, and a current activity of the first user, wherein the at least one of a current physical location of the first user, current contact options for the first user, and a current activity of the first user is varied depending on the identity of the requestor **(Kawamura's Figure 10 shows the current physical location and current activity of the first user (Software Development Presence/Absence) and current contact options (Telephone numbers, Voice message and Message mail))**;

(B2) the provided web page comprises a plurality of contact options to contact the first user and an activatable icon **(Activatable icons are a common feature of Web pages)** to initiate a contact to the first user by an option selected by the second user, the contact options being a plurality of an email, a facsimile, a voice mail, an instant message, a pager, and a telephone call **(Kawamura's Figure 10 shows the plurality of contact options as telephone call, voice message and message mail (i.e. email))**;

(B3) the provided web page comprises a personalized message for the second user, the personalized message being provided only to selected requestors but not to all requestors **(Personal messages to designated second users are explicitly taught by Vitikainen)**; and

(B4) the provided web page comprises one or more fields for receiving a text message from the second user for the first user **(Graphical information shown in Kawamura's Figure 10 includes a field for receiving inputted text message for the first user with respect to the "Message Mail-Contents" field, wherein the text message is transmitted by electronic mail (paragraph 0103))**, wherein the inputted text message is

converted into a voice message for the first user at the request of the second user (**IDC Executive Brief teaches providing a plurality of options for transmitting text messages by using a speech interface for converting text to voice**).

    76. (New) The system of Claim 75, wherein (B1) is true.

    77. (New) The system of Claim 75, wherein (B2) is true.

    78. (New) The system of Claim 75, wherein (B3) is true.

    79. (New) The system of Claim 75, wherein (B4) is true.

    82. (New) The system of Claim 75, wherein the provided web page comprises a listing of individuals, a corresponding skill of each listed individual, and contact information associated with each of the listed individuals (**Graphical information in Kawamura includes the listing in Figure 12, wherein managers are specified and wherein the corresponding skill includes the "Fourth Development" or "Third Development"**).

    83. (New) The system of Claim 79, wherein the web page comprises a plurality of communication options for selection by the second user, wherein the communication options comprise at least one of a voice mail and telephone call, wherein the at least one of voice mail and a telephone call is selected by the second user (**Kawamura's Figure 10 shows the plurality of contact options as telephone call, voice message and message mail (i.e. email)**)*, and further comprising:*

    a text-to-speech engine operable to convert the inputted text message into a corresponding audio message; and wherein the resource manager is further operable to forward the corresponding audio message to the first user by the selected at least one of

voice mail and a telephone call **(IDC Executive Brief teaches voicemail and telephone call with regards to the use of the text to voice speech conversion interface ('Messaging Applications' on page 2)).**

84. *(New) The system of Claim 75, further comprising:*

an authentication engine operable to authenticate the identification of the second user; and

a rules administrator operable to apply one or more rules to select a web page configuration to be provided to the second user, the rules requiring differing web page configurations to be provided to differing requestors **(Obvious to provide authentication in Kawamura since the user whose presence and availability are provided in the graphical form in Figure 10 would have had an expectation of privacy with regards to the people such as supervisors or clients receiving their personal information)**.

87.*(New) The system of Claim 85, wherein at least one of the following is true:*

(1) the provided web page comprises at least one of a current physical location of the first user, current contact options for the first user, and a current activity of the first user, wherein the at least one of a current physical location of the first user, current contact options for the first user, and a current activity of the first user is varied depending on the identity of the requestor **(Kawamura's Figure 10 shows the current physical location and current activity of the first user (Software Development Presence/Absence) and current contact options (Telephone numbers, Voice message and Message mail))***;*

(2) the provided web page comprises a plurality of contact options to contact the first user and an activatable icon to initiate a contact to the first user by an option selected by the second user, the contact options being a plurality of an email, a facsimile, a voice mail, an instant message, a pager, and a telephone call **(Kawamura's Figure 10 shows the plurality of contact options as telephone call, voice message and message mail (i.e. email))***; and*

(3) the provided web page comprises a personalized message for the second user, the personalized message being provided only to selected requestors but not to all requestors **(Personal messages to designated second users are explicitly taught by Vitikainen).**

88. *(New) The system of Claim 87, wherein (1) is true.*

89. *(New) The system of Claim 87, wherein (2) is true.*

90. *(New) The system of Claim 87, wherein (3) is true.*

93. *(New) The system of Claim 87, wherein the provided web page comprises a listing of individuals, a corresponding skill of each listed individual, and contact information associated with each of the listed individuals* **(Graphical information in Kawamura includes the listing in Figure 12, wherein managers are specified and wherein the corresponding skill includes the "Fourth Development" or "Third Development").**

94. *(New) The system of Claim 87, wherein the resource manager is further operable to authenticate the identification of the second user and apply one or more rules to select a web page configuration to be provided to the second user, the rules requiring*

differing web page configurations to be provided to differing requestors **(Obvious to provide authentication in Kawamura since the user whose presence and availability are provided in the graphical form in Figure 10 would have had an expectation of privacy with regards to the people such as supervisors or clients receiving their personal information).**

95. (New) The system of Claim 94, wherein the provided web page is a personal homepage of the first user **(It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made run a business from the home such that the provided business information in Kawamura corresponds to a personal homepage of the business owner).**

4.   Claims 63, 64, 71-74, 85 and 86 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kawamura et al. in view of IDC Executive Brief as applied above.

         With respect to the claims below, references to the prior art appear in parenthesis.

Claims

         63. (New) A method for contacting a first user using a packet-switched communication **(LAN in Kawamura (paragraph 0002) is a packet-switched communication system)***, comprising:*

              receiving, by a packet switched network, a request from a second user for a web page associated with the first user **(Third person request for information for an employee (paragraph 0102-0103) results in the graphical information of Figure 10 on the requesting user's computer display, wherein it would have been obvious to format the graphical info**

as a Web page since this format is universally available and used with respect to Web browsers such as Internet Explorer that are installed on personal computers);

providing the second user with the web page, wherein the web page comprises one or more fields for receiving an inputted text message for the first user **(Graphical information shown in Kawamura's Figure 10 includes a field for receiving inputted text message for the first user with respect to the "Message Mail-Contents" field, wherein the text message is transmitted by electronic mail (paragraph 0103));**

receiving from the second user, by the web page, an inputted text message for the first user **(Text message in "Message Mail-Contents");**

receiving a command to forward the inputted text message to the first user by a selected communication option, the selected communication option being at least one of a live voice call and voice mail **(IDC Executive Brief teaches providing a plurality of options for transmitting text messages by using a speech interface for converting text to voice);**

converting the inputted text message into a corresponding audio stream; and sending the corresponding audio stream to at least one of a live voice communication device and a voice mail repository associated with the first user **(Kawamura's plurality of communication options include a live voice communication device such as telephones and voice mail repository as shown in Figure 10).**

64. (New) The method of Claim 63, wherein the web page comprises a plurality of communication options for transmission of the inputted text message to the first user, the plurality of communication options being a plurality of an email, a facsimile, a voice mail, an instant message, a pager, and a telephone call **(Kawamura's Figure 10 shows the plurality of**

contact options as telephone call, voice message and message mail (i.e. email)) *and*
further comprising:

when the second user selects one or more of the plurality of communication options,
providing the text message to the first user by the selected one or more communication options
(**IDC Executive Brief teaches voicemail and telephone call with regards to the use of the**
text to voice speech conversion interface ('Messaging Applications' on page 2)).

71. *(New) The method of Claim 63, wherein the provided web page comprises*
a listing of individuals, a corresponding skill of each listed individual, and contact
information associated with each of the listed individuals (**Graphical information in Kawamura**
includes the listing in Figure 12, wherein managers are specified and wherein the
corresponding skill includes the "Fourth Development" or "Third Development").

72. *(New) The method of Claim 63, wherein the providing step comprises:*
authenticating the identification of the second user; and
applying one or more rules to select a web page configuration to be provided to
the second user, the rules requiring differing web page configurations to be provided to
differing requestors (**Obvious to provide authentication in Kawamura since the user whose**
presence and availability are provided in the graphical form in Figure 10 would have had
an expectation of privacy with regards to the people such as supervisors or clients
receiving their personal information).

73. *(New) The method of Claim 72, wherein the provided web page is a*
personal homepage of the first user (**It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in**

the art at the time the invention was made run a business from the home such that the provided business information in Kawamura corresponds to a personal homepage of the business owner).

74. (New) A computer readable medium comprising processor executable instructions operable to perform the steps of claim 63 (**Kawamura uses computers (paragraph 0002)**).

85. (New) A system for contacting a first user using a packet-switched communication (**LAN in Kawamura (paragraph 0002) is a packet-switched communication system**), comprising:

a network server operable to receive, by a packet switched network, a request from a second user for a web page of the first user (**Third person request for information for an employee (paragraph 0102-0103) results in the graphical information of Figure 10 on the requesting user's computer display, wherein it would have been obvious to format the graphical info as a Web page since this format is universally available and used with respect to Web browsers such as Internet Explorer that are installed on personal computers**);

a resource manager operable (a) receive, by a packet switched network, a request from a second user for the web page associated with the first user (**Third person request for information**); (b) provide the second user with the web page, wherein the web page comprises one or more fields for receiving an inputted text message for the first user (**Graphical information shown in Kawamura's Figure 10 includes a field for receiving inputted text message for the first user with respect to the "Message Mail-Contents" field, wherein the

text message is transmitted by electronic mail (paragraph 0103)); *(c) receive from the second user, by the web page, an inputted text message for the first user* **(Text message in "Message Mail-Contents")**; *(d) receive a command to forward the inputted text message to the first user by a selected communication option, the selected communication option being at least one of a live voice call and voice mail* **(IDC Executive Brief teaches providing a plurality of options for transmitting text messages by using a speech interface for converting text to voice)**; *(e) convert the inputted text message into a corresponding audio stream* **(IDC text to speech interface)**; *and (f) send the corresponding audio stream to at least one of a live voice communication device and a voice mail repository associated with the first user* **(Kawamura's plurality of communication options include a live voice communication device such as telephones and voice mail repository as shown in Figure 10)**.

86. The system of Claim 85, wherein the web page comprises a plurality of communication options for transmission of the inputted text message to the first user, the plurality of communication options being a plurality of an email, a facsimile, a voice mail, an instant message, a pager, and a telephone call **(Kawamura's Figure 10 shows the plurality of contact options as telephone call, voice message and message mail (i.e. email))** *and wherein, when the second user selects one or more of the plurality of communication options, the text message is provided to the first user by the selected one or more communication options* **(IDC Executive Brief teaches voicemail and telephone call with regards to the use of the text to voice speech conversion interface ('Messaging Applications' on page 2))**.

5.   Claims 56, 80 and 91 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over

Kawamura et al., IDC Execute Brief and Vitikainen et al. as applied above, and further in view of

Archer (US 6683870 B1) .

        Kawamura does not teach providing a location option in the graphical information.

However, Archer teaches providing a "find-me" system for a user with multiple communication

devices (column 2, lines 9-18) which corresponds to a location option in a LAN system (Figure 6

and column 10, lines 28-35). Therefore, it would have been obvious to provide a "find-

me"/location option for a LAN system as describe in Archer in the graphical information of

Kawamura for the reason that the user in Kawamura has multiple communication devices such

as extension telephone, destination telephone and email device.

        With respect to the claims below, references to the prior art appear in parenthesis.

Claims

        56. (New) The method of Claim 51, wherein the provided web page comprises

a location option to locate a communication device through which the first user is currently

directly contactable and wherein, when the location option is selected by the second user, the

method further comprises:

        initiating a plurality of communications with a plurality of communication

devices associated with the first user; and

        when the first user responds to one or more of the plurality of communications,

notifying the second user of the communication device corresponding to the responded to

one or more of the plurality of communications **(Archer teaches to provide "find-me"/location**

option to a LAN system for a user with multiple communication devices, wherein the

second user is notified of the responding device when a voice communication is initiated

over, for example, a destination telephone number such as a cell phone).

80. (New) The system of Claim 75, wherein the web page comprises a location option to locate a communication device through which the first user is currently directly contactable and wherein, when the location option is selected by the second user, the resource manager is further operable to initiate a plurality of communications with a plurality of communication devices associated with the first user and, when the first user responds to one or more of the plurality of communications, notify the second user of the communication device corresponding to the responded to one or more of the plurality of communications **(Archer teaches to provide "find-me"/location option to a LAN system for a user with multiple communication devices, wherein the second user is notified of the responding device when a voice communication is initiated over, for example, a destination telephone number such as a cell phone).**

91. (New) The system of Claim 87, wherein the provided web page comprises a location option to locate a communication device through which the first user is currently directly contactable, wherein, when the location option is selected by the second user, a plurality of communications are initiated with a plurality of communication devices associated with the first user and, when the first user responds to one or more of the plurality of communications, the second user of the communication device is notified of the responded to one or more of the plurality of communications **(Archer teaches to provide "find-me"/location option to a LAN system for a user with multiple communication devices, wherein the second user is notified of the responding device when a voice communication is initiated over, for example, a destination telephone number such as a cell phone).**

6.   Claim 69 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kawamura et al.

and DC Execute Brief as applied above, and further in view of Archer .

With respect to the claims below, references to the prior art appear in parenthesis.

Claims

69. (New) The method of Claim 63, wherein the provided web page comprises

a location option to locate a communication device through which the first user is currently

directly contactable and wherein, when the location option is selected by the second user, the

method further comprises:

initiating a plurality of communications with a plurality of communication

devices associated with the first user; and

when the first user responds to one or more of the plurality of communications,

notifying the second user of the communication device corresponding to the responded to

one or more of the plurality of communications **(Archer teaches to provide "find-me"/location**

option to a LAN system for a user with multiple communication devices, wherein the

second user is notified of the responding device when a voice communication is initiated

over, for example, a destination telephone number such as a cell phone).

7.   Claims 57, 81 and 92 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over

Kawamura et al., IDC Execute Brief and Vitikainen et al. as applied above, and further in view of

Rasansky et al. (US 5960406 A).

Kawamura does not teach an activity description with a request for user participation

and alternate date request. However, such an activity description with a request for user

participation and alternate date request is explicitly taught by Rasansky (Figures 17A-17B) for

scheduling two users, wherein graphical information is transmitted over Internet to invite users

to an activity and includes alternative dates from which to select. Therefore, it would have been

obvious to include Rasanky's graphical scheduling system in Kawamura for the reason that a

skilled artisan would have been motivated to include the known scheduling system in order to

provide more functions to the Kawamura graphical information.

<u>Claims</u>

     57. (New) The method of Claim 51, wherein the provided web page comprises

at least one activity description involving the first and second users, a response indicator

indicating whether or not the second user can participate in the at least one activity, and a

request for an alternate date acceptable to the second user for the at least one activity

description **(Rasansky explicitly teaches the graphical scheduling system using a

calendar with alternate dates (Figures 17A-17B))**.

     81. (New) The system of Claim 75, wherein the provided web page comprises

at least one activity description involving the first and second users, a response indicator

indicating whether or not the second user can participate in the at least one activity, and a

request for an alternate date acceptable to the second user for the at least one activity

description **(Rasansky explicitly teaches the graphical scheduling system using a

calendar with alternate dates (Figures 17A-17B))**.

     92. (New) The system of Claim 87, wherein the provided web page comprises

at least one activity description involving the first and second users, a response indicator

indicating whether or not the second user can participate in the at least one activity, and a

request for an alternate date acceptable to the second user for the at least one activity

description **(Rasansky explicitly teaches the graphical scheduling system using a**

calendar with alternate dates (Figures 17A-17B)).

8.   Claim 70 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kawamura et al.

and IDC Execute Brief as applied above, and further in view of Rasansky et al. .

With respect to the claims below, references to the prior art appear in parenthesis.

Claims

        70. (New) The method of Claim 63, wherein the provided web page comprises

at least one activity description involving the first and second users, a response indicator

indicating whether or not the second user can participate in the at least one activity, and a

request for an alternate date acceptable to the second user for the at least one activity

description **(Rasansky explicitly teaches the graphical scheduling system using a**

calendar with alternate dates (Figures 17A-17B)).

Conclusion

9.   Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this

Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant

is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

        A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE

MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO

MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after

the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period

will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37

CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event,

however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this

final action.

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